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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of:)	
DIEG	GO DELL'ERBA ET AL	:	Examiner: Unassigned Group Art Unit: 3679
Applı	n. No.: 10/682,520)	
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For:	THREADED PIPE WITH SURFACE TREATMENT	;	January 29 2004

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Also attached is the Australian patent (equivalent to U.S. Pat. 4,256,811), which may be pertinent for the reason noted in the attached February 25, 2003 EPO search report which issued in connection with Italian priority application, RM2002A000512. MPEP § 604.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered. No fee is required.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, DC office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should now be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted, TENARIS CONNECTIONS AG

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Attachment: PTO-1449; Cited References

International Search Report RM2002A000512

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